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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 151600

1. IN MEETING AUG 29 WITH PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT SECGEN SENGAT KUO, AMB INQUIRED HOW GURC VIEWED NAC AND WHAT IT THOUGHT MIGHT BE OUTCOME OF CONFERENCE.

2. SENGAT KUO OBSERVED THAT EACH PARTICIPANT HAD HIS OWN VIEW OF WHAT NON-ALIGNMENT MEANT. THE GROUP WAS BECOMING LARGE AND CUMBERSOME WITH DISPARATE INTERESTS. AT SAME TIME THEY HAD CERTAIN INTERESTS AND OBJECTIVES IN COMMON:

- A) THEY FELT THEY SHOULD HAVE A GREATER VOICE IN DECISIONS TAKEN BY GREAT POWERS THAT AFFECTED THEIR INTERESTS;
- B) THEY SOUGHT FREEDOM FROM DOMINATION;
- C) THEY SOUGHT TO LESSEN THE ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGES THAT IMPEDED THEIR DEVELOPMENT POSSIBILITIES;
- D) THEY FELT NEED TO REDEFINE NON-ALIGNMENT IN RELATION TO THE NEW SPIRIT OF DETENTE AND COOPERATION PREVAILING BETWEEN GREAT POWERS, A DEVELOPMENT WHICH THEY WELCOME BUT FEAR MAY RESULT IN LESS GREAT POWER INTEREST IN COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPING WORLD.

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3. SENGAT KUO MENTIONED INTEREST OF SOME PARTICIPANTS IN

CREATING MORE FORMAL STRUCTURE FOR THE MOVEMENT. SOME OF THE ORIGINAL SPONSORS OF NON-ALIGNMENT WERE OPHJSED, NOT WANTING TO TIE THEMSELVES TOO RIGIDLY TO A PRESCRIBED FORMAT WHEN THE COHESIVENESS OF NON-ALIGNMENT IS YET TO BE ESTABLISHED. SOME OBJECTED IN PRINCIPLE TO CREATING WHAT COULD BE DESCRIBED AS A BLOC. GURC ITSELF PREFERRED THE INFORMAL STRUCTURE, AT LEAST UNTIL IT IS CLEAR THAT THE PARTICIPANTS SHARE A COMMON VIEW OF NON-ALIGNMENT. IN GENERAL, SENGAT KUO SEEMED SCEPTICAL THAT ALGIERS MEETING WOULD BE PARTICULARLY FRUITFUL.

4. FONMIN EFON DEPARTS AUG 30 FOR ALGIERS, AND WILL BE FOLLOWED FEW DAYS LATER BY PRES AHIDJO SENGAT KUO WILL NOT BE ACCOMPANYING HIM AS MIN. STATE BIYA AND SPECIAL ADVISER ETEKI ARE ON LEAVE AND SOMEONE MUST MIND THE SHOP.

5. DISCUSSION RE PRG ISSUE AT NAC (STATE 163270) REPORTED SEPTTEL.
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